

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Steve Lavin, on March 16, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Steve Lavin, Chair (R)  
Rep. Nancy Wilson, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)  
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)  
Rep. Frank Garner (R)  
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)  
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)  
Rep. Mike Miller (R)  
Rep. Lee Randall (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Christy Clark, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)  
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Kendra Balian, Committee Secretary  
Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 599, 3/12/2015

00:00:01 Chair Lavin

**HEARING ON HB 599**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:47 Rep. Lee Randall (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 599, Allow for permanent registration of heavy trucks and truck tractors.

00:01:58 Rep. MacDonald arrived

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:14 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

00:04:16 Jessie Luther, Montana Contractors Association

00:05:12 Barry "Spook" Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:05:46 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association (MCTA)

**Informational Testimony:**

00:08:34 Colonel Tom Butler, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP)

00:09:01 Duane Williams, Montana Department of Transportation (DOT)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:09:19 Rep. Cook

00:09:40 Duane Williams, DOT

00:09:59 Rep. Cook

00:10:11 Duane Williams, DOT

00:10:21 Rep. Curdy

00:10:48 Col. Tom Butler, MHP

00:12:22 Rep. Wilson

00:12:57 Ronda Wiggers, MCTA

00:13:04 Rep. MacDonald

00:13:38 Col. Tom Butler, MHP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:14:47 Rep. Randall

00:15:40 Chair Lavin

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 180**

00:16:24 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 180 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:16:37 Chair Lavin

00:17:00 Rep. Wilson

00:17:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Clark and Rep. Smith voted by proxy. Rep. McKamey will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 338**

00:18:32     **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 338 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:18:43     Rep. Wilson

00:19:06     Rep. McKamey

00:20:30     Rep. Miller

00:20:41     Rep. Fiscus

00:21:22     Rep. Miller

00:21:39     Rep. Randall

00:22:20     **Vote:** Motion carried 13-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Wilson voting no. Rep. Clark and Rep. Smith voted by proxy. Rep. Smith will carry the bill.

00:23:32     Chair Lavin

00:24:02     Rep. Curdy

00:24:09     Chair Lavin

00:25:07     Rep. Cook

00:25:10     Chair Lavin

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:25:38

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Kendra Balian, Secretary

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